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The Semipostals  
Of France

Alan R. Fernald

In 1897 England was celebrating  
the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria.  
This event was marked by a  
number of regular postal issues.  
It remained for the Australian  
colony of New South Wales, then  
separate but now a state of the  
Australian Commonwealth, to in-  
troduce an idea, new to philately  
and new to the world."Why not issue two special  
stamps to honor the Good Queen?  
... postal values of 2½d and 1s  
... sell them at a premium, double  
face. ... and from the surplus  
create a 'Queen's Fund' to es-  
tablish a home for tuberculosis suf-  
ferers?"Thus was born the first special  
issue of a type of postage stamp,  
later to be known as the "Semi-  
Postal." The idea lay dormant af-  
ter this one issue for nearly ten  
years, until in 1906 the Netherlands  
issued a set of three low-valued  
adhesives to aid in the fight against  
tuberculosis. In 1911-1914, Belgium  
sponsored a similar issue.In 1914, France, the fourth coun-  
try to follow this pattern, issued  
two 10-centime stamps. These were  
adapted from the then current  
Sower type, carrying an extra 5  
centime charge to benefit the Red  
Cross. Four years later, after a  
change in postal rates, a specially  
designed Red Cross stamp of 15  
centimes denomination, was placed  
on sale.

Early French semipostals.

In 1917 through 1919, as a result  
of the War, a new situation had  
arisen. Funds were needed to aid  
the widows and orphans of war  
casualties. What could be more nat-  
ural than to issue a specially de-  
signed set of stamps, in the pro-  
ceeds from which the needy would  
share?At first, these stamps were re-  
served for domestic mail only; but  
later were accepted in internation-  
al service. There were eight val-  
ues in the series. Of these, the 5  
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was accomplished by surcharging  
a quantity of the original issue  
that had remained on hand. When  
these were exhausted, further sup-  
plies were printed from the origi-  
nal plates and similarly sur-  
charged. These further printings  
differ in color on all values and are  
listed in specialized French hand-  
books without commanding any  
particular premium.In 1927, four values of this set  
constituted a new printing in which  
the new plus-values were incor-  
porated into the plates, doing away  
with the surcharges. This gives us  
three series of this issue, 20 stamps  
in all.In 1927 the franc was falling in  
value. To help bolster it a "Sink-  
ing Fund" was established. For  
four successive years certain cur-  
rent postage stamps were sur-  
charged to provide a surplus for  
this Fund. In all eleven stamps  
were so treated—an unique use.During these same years, there  
also appeared three separately de-  
signed individual Semi-Postals. The  
first of these, depicting "Agricul-  
ture and Industry" was the first  
line-engraved postage stamp of  
French issue. This was followed by  
the "Smile of Rheims" and the  
third, "Allegory of the Provinces",  
which appeared in 1931. These  
three are among the most beautiful  
of all French Semi-Postals. Though  
more than 25 years have passed,  
they are still reasonably priced! A  
ten dollar bill will buy all three, to  
ornament with distinction any col-  
lection.On this matter of scarcity, we  
notice with interest that, while two  
million of the "Agriculture and In-  
dustry" were printed, its use was  
short-lived. Only 8% of these, 160,-  
000 were used; the balance were  
destroyed. Compare this with pre-  
sent-day U.S. commemoratives,  
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lion—a ration of about 1000 to 1!

Modern French semipostal.

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stamps in which the excess pro-  
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lowing, three whole series, 19  
stamps in all, were assigned to this  
worthy cause. Portraits of the  
great writers, scientists, artists  
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could add his sous. So popular had  
it become that in the first 25 years  
of operation nearly a hundred  
varieties of these stamps had been  
issued, each for a specific purpose.Radios were brought for the  
blind; seamen from torpedoed  
ships were succored; historic and  
special events commemorated. The  
Semi-Postal had become an in-  
stitution. New ideas were in-  
troduced—a yearly Red Cross  
issue; another for the "Day of the  
Stamp"; the insignia of cities and  
provinces; famous men of bygone  
centuries; notables of the Revolu-  
tion; all were included in the  
choice of designs.This great variety gives charm  
and interest to a collector of this  
group of adhesives—a literal un-  
folding of French history.To collect them is no rich man's  
hobby. To date 302 varieties have  
been issued, according to Scott's  
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## Is It A Postmaster Provisional?

We are fortunate enough to bring something to the attention of the students of early postal history that may turn out to be a new find in this field. The item illustrated in the next column was sent to us by Mr. Harry H. Wilson of 8 Collins St., Hartford 5, Conn. Mr. Wilson submits this cover in the hope that an illustration and some mention of it may result in the finding of a similar one in the hands of someone else who may have overlooked it, or who may never have thought of the possibility that it could be a very rare and a genuine Postmaster Provisional.



GEORGE W. LINN

catalogues.

Let us take a look at the Luff Book and see what Mr. Luff has to say. This cover is an envelope, not a letter sheet. It is to be regretted that there is no letter within by which its date can be established.

However it has all of the markings of mail of this period and matches up with the customary ones on the accepted Baltimore covers of the period. In the 1937 reprint of the Luff book, on page 13, Mr. Luff says, "The postmaster of Baltimore also issued stamped envelopes. They are simple affairs, being ordinary envelopes of the period, bearing the written signature of the postmaster, or a hand-stamped facsimile of it in the upper right corner; below this are the word PAID and large numeral in an oval, which latter marks were in regular use in the post office to indicate prepayment of postage." Etc.

This envelope agrees with the description given by Luff except that the complete signature is not given. There are only the initials "J. M. B." These, however, appear to be identical with the same letters in the complete signature. The cover bears, below the initials, the "Paid 5". The "P" of Paid is identical with the written Paid pictured on page 13 of the Luff work. The entire word Paid is likewise quite the same as in the Luff book. The usual oval with the figure 5, as well as the handstamped PAID, common to these covers and the usual circular Baltimore cancel is also correct. There is also a manuscript PAID with a line below it which cuts through the hand-stamped PAID and what appears to be a number "258" written on the cover. Also a check mark as referred to in Luff's book. The Baltimore cancel has a date of APR. 9 but without a year date as usual. The cover is addressed to Philadelphia.

There is little more that need be said but the entire piece suggests that it is entirely possible that it might be a forerunner of the printed label Baltimore Provisionals.

We are happy to print this picture in the hope that a similar cover may be resting in the album of some other collector and that it may be shown or brought to light. We suggest that all collectors search their collections and see if such a duplicate cover may be in existence. We will be very glad to see anything that resembles it. Bear in mind however that the ordinary Baltimore covers of this period are quite common and unless covers bear similar J.M.B. initials or the complete name that they are not desired. Address your correspondence to the editor at Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida.

## Mr. Precancel Himself

If there is any Precancel collector or dealer in the United States that deserves the name of "Mr. Precancel" it has to be Adolph Gunesch of Chicago. Back in the early days of precancel collecting Victor W. Rotnem, who just recently passed away might have merited that name over and above any other precancel man but Mr. Rotnem chose to retire from the active field of precancel collecting and dealing and enter into other philatelic pursuits.

It was just a few years prior to this time that Mr. Gunesch entered into precancel dealing. That was back in the days when precancel collectors went wild over every different variation of handstamp on a single stamp and it was considered highly ethical to have friendly postmasters cancel them in normal and invert positions, sideways, double and in various colors of ink so that it was not unusual to be able to find a single stamp from a single town that showed from a dozen to perhaps 20 different varieties. This period was the beginning of the death knell of precancel interest for a lot of people. It was what helped more than anything else to choke the precancel catalogue to death as it multiplied the single stamp by many times and made the book so big that no one could longer afford to print it as enough customers to pay for it could not be found and since those days there has been no general complete catalog of precancels.

It was about this same time that the Bureau at Washington began experimenting with Precancels. This more than anything else helped the game and it took new life and has flourished ever since.

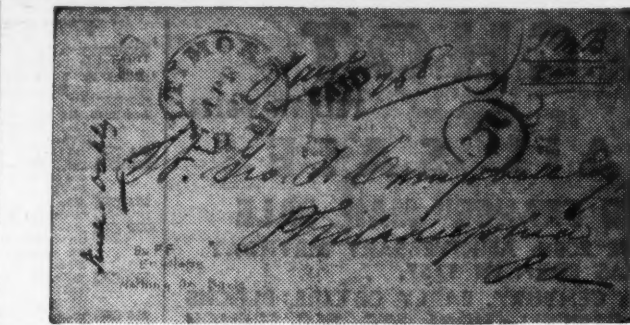
Mr. Gunesch's greatest contribution, and one that helped precancel collecting get on its feet and come forward so much as it has, was the fact that he more than any other dealer tried to put precancels on a cash basis for sale and trade. We always maintained in those days that stamps to be of interest to a collector had to sell and be exchanged for cash money. That so long as it was simply a matter of I will give you one of these for one of those it was still kid stuff and to make the hobby of collecting precancels a sound one, there had to be a cash value established. Mr. Gunesch did more to do this than any other dealer and today stands out as the leading purveyor of these stamps and is still promoting them in a manner that is a credit to the hobby.

This year he celebrates his 32nd year in the precancel game. To record this period he has issued a new edition of his U. S. Precancel Guide & Price List. To anyone who wants to know about and understand Precancels this booklet is well worth the price of \$1. It can be had from the Gunesch Precancel House, 30 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. We are glad to recommend it.

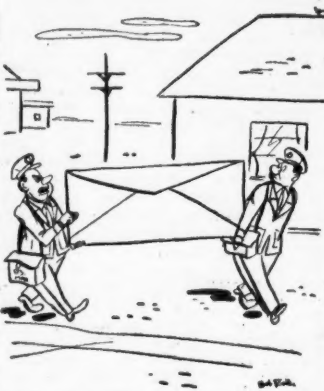
## Distinguished Guests

We were happy to have two prominent stamp dealers drop into our home here in Howey on April 7. Mr. Warren Scholl of the Mint Sheet Brokerage of Silverton, Ohio and Mr. W. P. Betts of Elsie, Mich. Mr. Betts is toying with the idea of locating in Florida permanently and was very much impressed with Howey.

After a dinner at the Floridan Country Club which happens to be just across the road from our home a pleasant evening was spent in talking about stamps and the stamp trade of years past.



## SMILEATELICS . . . Bob Rieker



"I'm sick of this outfit that says they send out the largest approval selections in the world!"

## Death Summons Catherine L. Manning

Mrs. Catherine Lemmon Manning, curator emerita of the Smithsonian Institution's Division of Philately, died Sunday morning, April 14, at Doctor's Hospital, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Manning was 76 years of age. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 16.

Mrs. Manning served as a member of the Board of Vice Presidents of the American Philatelic Society (1935-37), and in 1949 was the recipient of the National Philatelic Museum award for outstanding services to philately. She also received a silver tray at the American Philatelic Congress session in Cleveland in 1936 for her contributions to the advancement of the hobby.

She was an honorary member of the Bureau Issues Assn.; an honorary member of the Council of the American Philatelic Congress since 1955, and second vice-president from 1953 to 1955, and served as a Trustee of the National Philatelic Museum, Philadelphia from 1948.

In 1938 she served as a member of the jury assisting the Post Office Department in selecting designs for the Presidential postage stamp series released that year. She was frequently referred to as "The First Lady of Philately," and served national and local groups whenever called upon to do so. She was an active member of the Washington Philatelic Society to her passing, and has contributed numerous articles to the philatelic press.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Estelle M. Romero and Mrs. Catherine Marie Wright; three sisters; six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

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## 1957 STAMP PROGRAM

May 22 — 3c Steel Industry, New York, N. Y. (50 per pane, 120 million).

June 14 — Oklahoma Statehood 3c, Oklahoma City, Okla. (50 per pane, 80 million).

July 1 — 3c Teachers, Philadelphia, Pa. (50 per pane, 120 million).

Aug. 1—Air Force 50th Anniversary, Washington, D. C. (No further details).

Wildlife Conservation (details not announced)

## ALREADY ISSUED

1086 — Hamilton 3c, New York, N. Y. January 11.

1087 — Pollo 3, Washington, D. C. January 15.

1088 — C & GS 3c, Seattle, Wash., February 11.

1089—Architects 3c, New York, N. Y., February 23.

## CANADA

June 5—5c Explorer, Ottawa, Canada (See instructions for FDC's Linn's of April 29).

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The design of the Teacher's com-  
 mem due July 1, was adapted from  
 a 1952 poster for Education Week,  
 according to Belmont Faries,  
 stamp editor of the Washington Sun-  
 day Star. There is a notable differ-  
 ence between the pictures on the  
 stamp and the poster but the gen-  
 eral arrangements are the same.

The poster shows the teacher and  
 the boy and girl pupils. These are  
 living people and at the time they  
 posed they resided in the D.C.  
 area; probably still do. The teacher  
 is Miss Betty Louise Sanford,  
 and the students are Beverly Joan  
 Clark and George L. Spencer. Miss  
 Sanford was from Arlington, Va.  
 and the children from Washington.

In transferring these models to  
 the stamp the Bureau artists  
 changed their facial characteristics  
 so that the policy of "no living per-  
 sons on a stamp" would be held to.

Now please don't send me the in-  
 formation that some stamps do  
 picture living persons. Such have  
 been covered in this column on  
 several occasions, and collectors  
 who have been around for some  
 time know about them.

Like I said last week, I think the  
 design is a nice one. It is most  
 expressive of the subject to be  
 commemorated.

1. The California Gold Centennial  
 issue of 1948 gave the name of the  
 place where the gold was found  
 and the man who discovered it.  
 Name them.

2. Winthrop Sargent is shown on  
 one of those - Famous American,  
 Tennessee Statehood, Mississippi  
 Territory, Four Chaplains, Oregon  
 Territory. Which one?

On April 25 the Post Office De-  
 partment placed on sale in all first  
 class post offices rolls of 100 3c Li-  
 berty coil stamps.

These have usually come 500 and  
 1000 and I believe as many as 2000  
 (not sure on that figure). What  
 the reason is for the rolls of 100  
 was not given.

Not having seen any I do not  
 know whether they differ to any  
 extent from the stamps in the  
 larger coils, but I would be inclined  
 to doubt it. In any event, it's a  
 tip for you to do a little comparing  
 on your own. Look at the color as  
 well as the perforations in your  
 inspection.

Some of you newer readers might  
 never have heard of the excellent  
 book which is available from the  
 government on U.S. stamps. It is  
 a tremendous buy for the money -  
 the current edition only has the  
 stamps to the end of 1955, but miss-  
 ing the 1956's shouldn't be much of  
 a fault.

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 the U.S., 1847-1955" Presented is a  
 comprehensive review of all U.S.  
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Another publication available  
 from the same place is "Yorktown  
 and the Siege of 1781". It presents  
 material, including illustrations,  
 relating to Yorktown (see York-  
 town commem of 1931). There are  
 reproductions of sketches, paint-  
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A reader wants to know why the  
 Scott Catalog has no stamps as-  
 signed to Nos. 1049, and 1052 to  
 1059?

At the time the numbers were  
 set aside it was supposed that the  
 new Liberty Series would have  
 the same denomination coils as the  
 superceded Presidentials.

Therefore a spot was left for them.

It is still quite possible that there  
 might be a need for one or more  
 of the values which weren't incor-  
 porated. As for instance a 4c or 5c  
 depending on whether first class  
 postage rates are increased to  
 either of those values. If the in-  
 crease is made, then such would be  
 the most used denomination and  
 coils would have to be issued.

The other week I mentioned I  
 knew of no official program for  
 the Alexander Hamilton first day  
 ceremonies in New York on Janu-  
 ary 11. I had been sent a copy of  
 the Federal Hall folder with the  
 stamp tied to it with the first day  
 hand cancel, but that was the best  
 which could be expected.

This week came a letter from  
 Harry V. Swallow who disproves  
 the program statement. There was  
 one - a one page mimeographed  
 sheet. He has it with the stamp  
 and proper cancel - in fact he had  
 two, and graciously sent me one.

And the good luck continued for  
 in the mail arrived a souvenir  
 program of the AAA commem  
 ceremony in Chicago, March 4,  
 1952. It came from Hugh A. Don-  
 nelly of that city with whom I had  
 talked about these items during the  
 recent ASDA Midwest Postage  
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Contents Of Booklet

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 and ½d. It was formerly made up  
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 and three of the 1d.

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## Canada Thompson Stamp On June 5

Canada's Postmaster General, Hughes Lapointe has announced the details of a special postage stamp to be issued in honor of David Thompson, famous Canadian explorer and geographer of the late 18th and early 19th centuries. It will be a 5c denomination and issued on June 5.



Mr. Lapointe also announced that although the Post Office Department had indicated in November, 1956 that among the postage stamps to be issued in 1957 would be a 10 cent Aerogramme form and a 5 cent stamp with the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF) as the subject, plans for the issuing of these two stamps had now been postponed indefinitely. This was due to the fact that suitable designs for these stamps had not yet been found.

The story of David Thompson is that of a young English "Charity" boy who at the age of 13 came to Canada in the service of the Hudson Bay Company after having completed a course in navigation. Following his arrival in 1784, he painstakingly continued his studies, and soon was carrying on important exploratory work for the company in the Northwest.

By the time he was 17, he had penetrated Western Canada as far as present day Calgary. David Thompson had an unusual ability to get along with the Indians, and his friendship with the various western tribes played an important part in the success of his work.

Transferring to the North West Company in 1797, Thompson devoted all his time to mapping and exploration and before his death in 1857 had become famous for his achievements in the territories now forming the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia.

The stamp, designed by George A. Gunderson, Ottawa, will be blue in color, and is being engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co., Ottawa. Printing will be from Plate No. 1. Each pane will contain 50 stamps — it will require the purchase of the full pane to obtain the plate block.

Details for first day covers and/or the purchase of mint copies at face are as follows —

All patrons who desire to have First Day Covers bearing the new stamp, specially cancelled on the day of issue, are required to forward self-addressed envelopes to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ont., Canada, not to the Philatelic Section, to arrive not later than June 3.

All must contain "fillers" and must be sealed or have the flap turned in. To avoid errors the patron should mark on the cover, upper right hand corner, the quantity of stamps to be affixed to each.

Do not fold envelopes when forwarding through the mails. Enclose all in an outside wrapper marked "First Day of Issue". Return will be by ordinary mail unless it is specifically requested that they be returned by registered mail.

Covers to be returned by registered mail must include an additional 20c registration prepayment fee.

Orders for first day cover service must not include orders for mint or unused stamps. Remarks or inquiries not related directly to the order for First Day Covers should be written on a separate piece of paper.

In addition to the cost of postage required to be affixed at ordinary, airmail or registered mail rates, collectors must include in their remittance sufficient money to pay the Department's cover service fee amounting to 5c for each, forwarded for service.

The necessary space should be allowed if blocks of stamps are ordered.

The Postmaster, Ottawa, cannot guarantee to supply plate blocks of four stamps which will be distributed as equitably as the supply permits. The Philatelic Section will not handle First Day Covers.

The postage rate on first class mail for delivery in North and South America, the British Commonwealth, France and Spain, is 5c. The first class mail rate for Ottawa local delivery is 4c and for countries not mentioned above is 6c. The fee required for registration is 20c additional. Avoid covers being spoiled by postage due markings by prepaying sufficient postage.

Remittances for First Day Cov-

ers are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada" and sent to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ont., Canada.

Remittances for mint stamps are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada" and sent directly to the Post Office Department, Philatelic Section, Financial Branch, Ottawa 4, Ont., Canada. Orders for the stamp in selected mint condition may now be sent to the Philatelic Section and the orders will be filled and returned at the earliest possible date after June 5.

Remittances should be made by

means of postal money order or bank draft in Canadian funds, payable to the "Receiver General of Canada". Patrons from countries other than Canada or the United States should forward remittances by means of an International Money Order. Postal Notes cannot be accepted. If cash is sent, it should be in a registered package. Postage stamps are not acceptable as a remittance.

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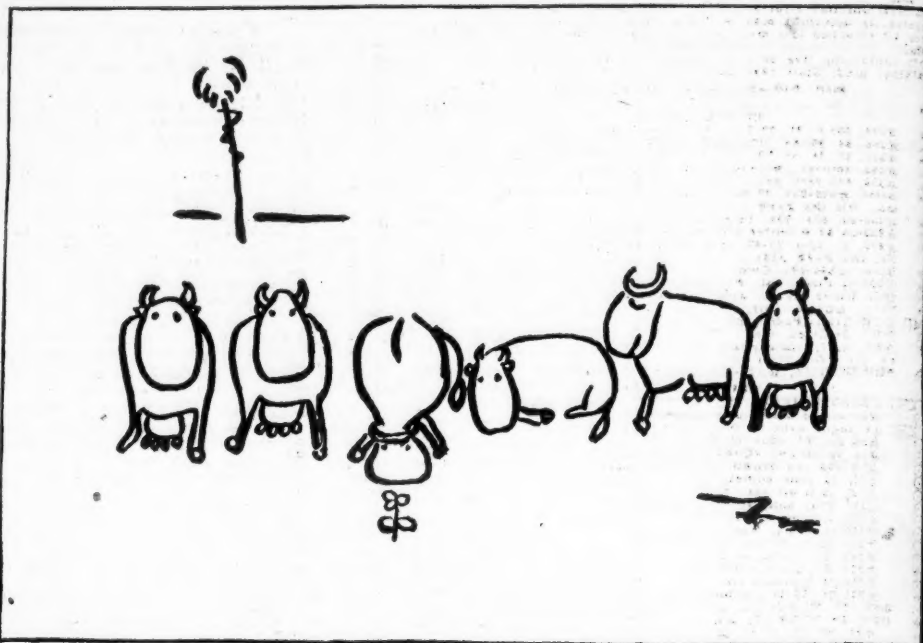
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Funny how hard some people are to convince. I took a full half-page ad in Linn's a while back for the purpose of (1) selling some stamps, and (2) spiking the rumor that I am not really A Farmer, that I just sign my ads that way to attract attention. Well, I sure sold a lot of stamps, but that's as far as it went. Outside of a milking-machine firm in Milwaukee and the local tax assessor, almost nobody took seriously my statement that I customarily milk six cows and mow three acres of hay in between filling stamp orders each day. The milking-machine people sent me some free literature and the tax assessor a formal demand for back property taxes. Everybody else thought I was spoofing. "Har! har!" a fellow in Pocatello, Idaho, wrote — "har! har!"

Well, this time I offer visual proof in the form of the above artistic representation. The drawing was made on a smoggy day, which accounts for the lack of detail and the fact that one of the cows is lying down and looks a little sick.

### . . . BUT NOW ABOUT STAMPS

The last time up, I advertised a \$10 mixture — a house-cleaning assortment of all-different sets and singles cataloguing between \$100 and \$150. The response was overwhelming. And so was the follow-up mail. One lady collector demanded her money back because I sent her only one set of the Schumann errors as a free bonus, instead of 100 sets (my ad had stated that I had but 100 sets in stock; she evidently expected them all). The president of a Midwestern college wrote:

"That was a wonderful mixture you sent and I consider myself lucky to have received it. I got my money's worth." And an army major in Oklahoma wrote to inquire if I had any U. S. or U.N. mint to offer at 1/15th catalogue. — I do not have.

But I have something just about as good — well, just about. And before I use up all my allotted space, I'd better tell you what it is. I call it . . .

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And, finally, the catalogue value if not fantastic is pretty close to it. I can't list all the high values you'll find in this lot, but here are a few of them, with their cat. values: Canada #321, the dollar totem pole, fine used copy, 45c . . . Israel #24, 40c . . . Laos, complete mint UPU, 80c . . . Trieste #79-82, \$1.65 . . . Poland C27, \$1 . . . Korea #113, \$1.25 . . . and Indonesia #330, used, \$3.00.

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109	#C7, Surch. scarce on cover, VF (1)	MIN. BID 1.20
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114	#46-61 Birthday Jubilee, OG F-VF (16)	12.20
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116	#104 10K val., F (1)	6.00
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118	#B3-4, 7-12, 16-20 Semi-Postal sets, OG F-VF (13)	3.75
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**RED SOWER**  
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French issues do, but there were two distinct versions of the sower with the mound of earth. The fact, unpublished by the postal authorities, was bought to light by the successive researches of philatelists. Although the distinctions were noted, there was, for a time, not much agreement as to how they had come about. Today, however, through the efforts of Raoul Lesgor, the following chronology has been established.

**Two Distinct Impressions**

The first printing might in a sense, be called provisional. It was made from a plate containing 50 subjects only, in two panes of 25. Prepared in a rush, in order to meet the emergency, the impressions from the die were carelessly taken. It is even possible that a trial plate was pressed into service. However that may be, two million copies were printed and put on sale in Paris on April 13, 1906, and at some other offices in other cities on the sixteenth, the official date of issue.

The immediate emergency met, a new plate was prepared which contained six panes of 25 figures for a total of 150 examples, the usual number for a normal sheet. This second plate was taken with greater care from the same die. The consequence of this was that the impressions made from it, when not defectively printed, were much clearer than those made from plate one. The lines of shading are more definite, but much lighter; the face is clear and precise, unlike that of the impressions from plate one in which it appears to be dirty; the right shoulder is almost white and the right arm is nearly clear of lines.

But the plate one impressions show these parts heavily shaded. Furthermore, the right hand of the sower, on plate two, flows out of the arm instead of seeming to be detached. Lastly, the mound of earth seems solid and of a piece, while in plate one it seemed more friable.

The great distinction, when that portion of the sheet can be located, is that on the plate one sheets, there are no "millesime" numbers by which the French identified the year of printing at that time. Such numbers, which in this case were "6's" appear between the panes on the separating selvage and at the second row down from the top of each pair of panes. And they so appear on printings from plate two which were begun on April 26 and continued to July of the same year.

Three shade varieties exist, red, dark red and dull red. I have further identified three distinct paper types, one fairly heavy and of good quality; a second of a looser weave and lesser quality; a third which appears to be off-white and which is somewhat thinner than the other two.

**Sower Without Ground, Thin Lines**

As I have said, the Sower with ground was considered by the officials to be a temporary makeshift. Mouchon began work on a revamped version of the design. The result of his efforts was an entirely new die, in which the ground beneath the sower's feet had been removed, as had also the small line projecting from the lady's forearm. The lines of the lettering in the legends were quite thin.

It is this characteristic which, in the country of its origin, gives the issue its name. French catalogues give the stamp a special number (in Yvert and Tellier it is 135.) Although this practice is eminently justified, Scott does not follow it. Thus there is no end of confusion, especially as there were two quite distinct types the second of which came about as follows.

The first of the types, which the French call "type primitif," was

printed from July 13, 1906, and was put on sale in Paris only on the 28th of the same month at noon. Two hours later the sales were stopped by a ministerial order and the total remaining stock was withdrawn. A total of 55 million copies had been printed. The plates themselves were destroyed and the unsold copies were to have been burned. This last order was not carried out. The rest of the printing was put into circulation several months later.

Meanwhile, however, the second type had come into existence.

**Thin Lines, Type Two**

The issue of July 13 (which Barrier calls the issue of July 5 mistakenly, as I believe) was withdrawn because the administration felt it to be too weak. Mouchon was requested to retouch the die in order to remedy this defect. He did so and new plates were made from it. The printings from these plates are the second type of the thin line version. Inasmuch as the Mouchon retouches were very slight, the type is not always distinguished by the uninitiated. It differs from the first by having had a white outline added to the rear of the figure, to the under side of her right arm and to the

bottom of the grain sack.

When heavily inked, the lines do not always appear with clarity, if at all. However, in these printings it is almost always possible to discern a small red line in the middle of the white portion of the sower cap, a line which does not exist in the type one.

I should perhaps mention here that there is strong evidence of a major break having developed, as I believe, in the transfer die. It appears, in the varying degrees of its development, on the right side of the top frame line, on type two only. I am not ready, at this early stage of the discovery to be in any way categorical about it, but feel that its possible existence should be noted for further research. Approximately 25% of the

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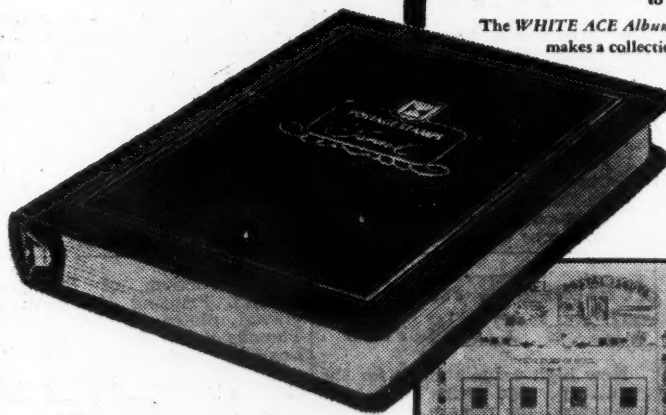
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The relatively undeveloped back country was made a separate "dependency of French Guiana" on June 6, 1930 by decree of the French government. It became a part of French Guiana again by law of March 19, 1946, but is now a separate arrondissement by law of September 14, 1951.

The area of the Territory is 30,301 square miles. Within this there are more, larger areas marked **unexplored** on the maps than there are on the maps of all French Africa. The territory is connected with French Guiana by waterways, which are navigable only by small craft because of the many rapids. The natural resources have not been developed to any extent. Among the principal products are rosewood, other cabinet woods, and some gold.

Inini was at one time used extensively for a penal exile district. However, penal colonies in it have been discontinued and the last convicts were returned to France in 1945.

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Because of the small population, the high proportion of illiterates among the 5000 inhabitants, and the lack of commercial development, used stamps and especially covers are very scarce from Inini. The catalog prices do not thus do justice to the situation. As would be expected, commercial covers are especially hard to find.

The rates were, in the period of Inini's own stamps (single letter rates):

To French Guiana, 1 franc.  
To France and other colonies, 3 francs.  
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I lack information as to rates to other than these destinations.

The only covers this writer has seen are the ones in my own collection, a little over 30 in all. Of these, five are of particular interest and merit description.

Registered letter to Acker Stamp Co., Jackson Heights, N. Y. World's Fair issue, cancelled Secteur de l'Ouest, October 7, 1939; backstamp of arrival October 27, 1939 and other backstamps.

Regular letter, 1fr rate, with 30c 1940 and 70c 1940, cancelled St. Elie, Territoire Inini, November 29, 1941, addressed to "Etablissements Symphonien Cayenne", with backstamp "Controle Postale, Guyane Francaise, Cayenne" December 3, 1941. From the Societe Nouvelle de Saint-Elie et Adieu-Vat.

Cover to Banque de France, Tunis, with rate of 3 francs made up of the 1.25fr 1933 pair, plus 50c 1932; cancelled "Secteur de l'Ouest" May 8, 1942 and backstamped "Tunis Receiving February 29." There is no year date in this, but it must be 1944, since Tunis was not accessible for a letter until that year, on account of the war. As this is not airmail, the 1944 supposition can be more reasonable.

Cover to Comptoir Franco-Marocain, Port Lyautey, Morocco, cancelled "Secteur de l'Ouest," May 8, 1942; backstamped "Received June 13," year not legible. 3fr rate made up by 2fr 1932 and 1fr 1938.

Cover to M. L'Administrateur General du Petit Marseillais, Marseille cancelled "Secteur de l'Ouest" May 8, 1942, 3fr rate made up by 1.75 franc 1938, and the 1.25 franc 1939.

With these covers in mind, the list of post offices and dates of operation, as we have it, would seem to be slightly inadequate. But this is the information: known offices and dates when in operation:

St. Elie — 1930-1946. (This existed under the government of French Guiana before establishment of the Territory).

Secteur de l'Ouest — 1933-36

Secteur du Centre (Saut-Tigre)—1934-1937

Secteur de l'Est (Epouevin) — 1940

Port-Inini — 1943-1946

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The next evening, on May 4, the group will stage its annual banquet at Sailer's Restaurant in Burbank, Calif. Awards to winning exhibitors will be made besides which there will be entertainment.

## FRANCE COLONIES GROUP

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writings. For some years past the Group's members, at least a few of them, have been at work at producing a translation of France 1876 to 1920 from the famous Kohl Handbook, soon to see print.

Five years ago the Group provided copy for a special number of Linn's which attracted much praise for its adequacy.

The Group, as this is written, consists of approximately 310 members. This figure is small because the annual lapses for non-payment of dues have recently taken place. Our normal trend is to be above 350 late in any calendar year—each year we push slightly higher and fall back less when lapsing takes place.

For members not located near enough to New York to attend the parent chapter meetings held monthly, the dues are \$1.50 a year. There is a 50c charge on joining. New York area resident members pay \$2.50 a year, to cover costs of meeting notices and some other slight special expenses affecting them. Chapters have existed in various areas, but at the moment all save that at Malden, Mass. are inactive.

The Group owes its continuance and steady membership to a succession of good secretaries. Dr. Charles Vaurie was the first. Mrs. Helen Stringham of Manassas, N. J., well and favorably known as a collector of Madagascar, carried this office through the period of greatest growth. Charles Bretagne of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., the present secretary, has worked ably from the time Mrs. Stringham relinquished the office.

Others who have made notable contributions to the Group are Alan R. Fernald, old on the calendar but young indeed in philatelic spirit; Paul Baudry, whose philatelic standing as a collector of 19th Century France is equalled by his ability as a leader; Miss Louise Clemenceau, whose strong collecting of Reunion is matched by her steady effective work for the society; plus many more whose names are too many to mention. A recent acquisition is three vitally

interested younger members—Ira Zweifach Nathan Hals and Jan Kinder.

Both editor and secretary maintain considerable service of philatelic information for the membership. Perhaps this ability to draw upon several sources for aid, is one of the strongest features of service to the membership. We both, the secretary and myself, know to whom among our members to go if the inquiry is beyond our own knowledge.

An application form and attached descriptive leaf, together with a sample copy of the France & Colonies Philatelist from 1955 or 1956, is available to any inquirer who will write for it, enclosing the 3c in postage (loose or on a large envelope). Send your inquiry to secretary Charles Bretagne, P. O. Box 30, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., not forgetting to mention that you were incited by this number of Linn's.

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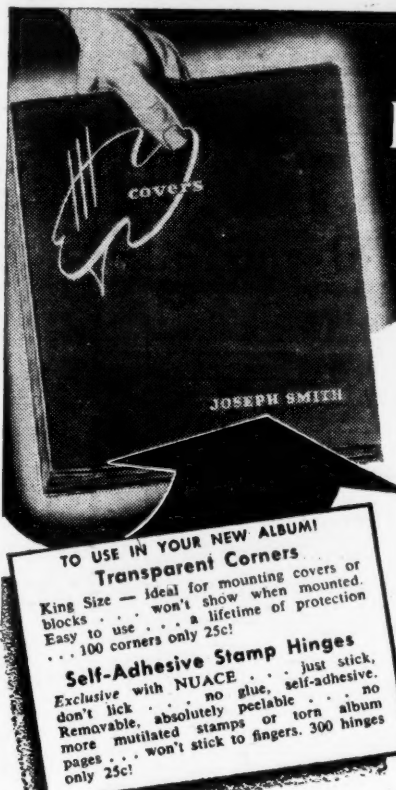
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Fisherman pulling in a net are to be seen on a Trieste Zone B air-mail.

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591	#820-829	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
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596	#870-879	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
597	#880-889	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
598	#890-899	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
599	#900-909	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
600	#910-919	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
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605	#960-969	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
606	#970-979	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
607	#980-989	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
608	#990-999	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
609	#1000-1009	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
610	#1010-1019	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
611	#1020-1029	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
612	#1030-1039	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
613	#1040-1049	VF OG	Ret. 1.00
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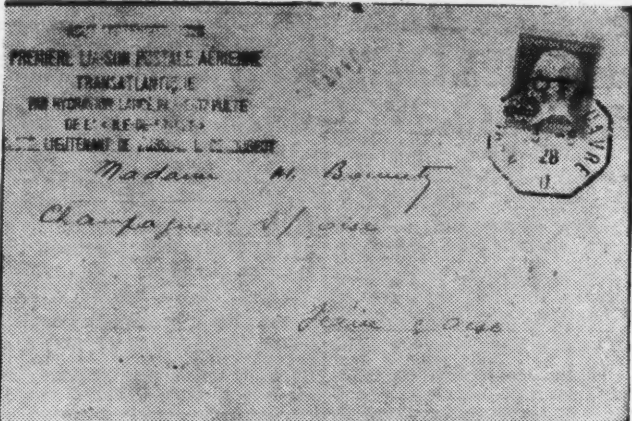
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A cacheted cover of the first eastbound Ile de France Flight, August 23, 1928. (Illustration, H. R. Harmer, Inc.)

**ILE DE FRANCE**  
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the large stamp issued in 1926, Scott No. 131, was expected normally to be used. The Ile de France carried a French sea post office, in which stamps were stocked and sold to passengers.

The first catapulted flight took place on August 13, 1928, when the ship was westbound. As might be expected, the event was very popular among the passengers. Almost everyone wanted to send to someone a letter to arrive before him, launched at sea into air mail 250 miles off shore. So many were the letters that the sea post office clerk was completely sold out of 10 franc stamps. Apparently his supply of 5 franc and lower values was also much depleted, so that there was not enough postage for the return trip.

Applying to Mr. Mongendre, Consul-General of France in New York, the sea post office clerk was given authority in an official document, to have 3000 of the current 30c Berthelot and 1000 of the current Pasteur 1.50fr stamps overprinted for use as 10 franc values for the return trip. The stamps evidently were part of the stock in the sea post office on the Ile de France. The job was done by ordinary letterpress, apparently from linotype slug, on entire counter panes of the stamps, 50 in each pane.

These were used only on that one return voyage regularly. Some few copies, then sold, found use on later flights. For the normal, authorized use, a cover must have the sea post office octagonal postmark struck spang on the stamp, tying it. The only reading is:

**NEW YORK AU HAVRE**

23 - 8  
28  
D

The "D" indicates the particular line or service. Please notice that the date of all covers has to be 23-8 28; that is August 23, 1928. The 8 frequently comes on the edge of the stamp in postmarking, so often looks like a 9 at first sight.

A number of the covers further bear a 6-line rubber handstamped cachet, all in capitals, reading:

AOUT-SEPTEMBRE 1928  
PREMIERE LIAISON  
POSTALE AERIENNE  
TRANSATLANTIQUE  
PAR HYDRAVION LANCE  
PAR CATAPULTE  
DE L' "ILE-DE-FRANCE"  
PILOTE LIEUTENANT DE  
VVAISSEAU L. DEMOUGEOT.

Presence or absence of the cachet does not materially affect the validity, prove or disprove the genuineness of the covers.

The stamps themselves have been very deceptively counterfeited. The lino slugs and the rules used for crossing out the original stamp values can easily, even now, be duplicated exactly in any print shop; the ink was strictly normal ink such as any printer has. Thus the work done by the French Printing & Publishing Corp. in New York on these stamps lacks distinctive characteristics. Fortunately, the makers of imitations quite normally chose wrong shades of the basal stamps and used a different kind of press, giving a somewhat different-looking impression.

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1928

To New York: August 13; Sept. 3.

To Le Havre: August 23; Sept. 15.

1929

To New York: August 20; Sept. 3; Sept. 23; Oct. 14.

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No flights to New York.

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The flight of October 30, 1930, was the last catapult mail flight. The full transatlantic mail flights, following the way blazed by the unfortunate Nungesser and Coli, by Lindbergh, and by Coste and Bellonte, had already begun. This illustration of the plane on

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690	1.75	784	.22	832	6.50	894	1.85	958	.33	C17	1.75
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A general view of a part of the Paris Stamp Bourse.

## Paris Stamps Market

Tony Suter

When you come down the Champs Elysees you find it on the left, near the "Rond point", between Matignon and Marigny Avenues. It is situated on a shadowy walk, quite around the Marigny's theatre. Every Thursday, Saturday and Sunday when the weather permit, it is crowded.

For stamp collectors it's called "Marche aux timbres" (Stamps Market); or "Bourse aux timbres" (Stamps Exchange); or "Carre Marigny" (Marigny's corner); or "Foire aux timbres" (Stamps fair). It is composed of two parts: the first and oldest is reserved to the exchangists; it has existed since 1901. In the beginning this market was composed of stamp collectors exchanging doubles only. The second one is composed of dealer's stalls, as shown in the photographs. Actually there are more than a hundred. They are little dealers, the great part of them have not any shop in Paris or surroundings.

I am a fervent shopper of this market. I am not twenty-seven, and I frequented it when I was eight or nine years old. I know some old people who knew the beginning of the market when the collectors exchanged one stamp for one stamp. Now, and since a long time ago, the base is the value by the catalogue.

There you can see the fluctuation of stamps in the time. During some months an emission or a country is researched by everybody, and the next year the market is full of it. I like this meeting very much, because even though if I didn't buy anything, I can talk about stamps with anybody.

Every foreigner who stays for a few days in Paris (if it is a stamp collector, indeed) must spend some time in it between visiting monuments to see the stamps Paris "Mood".

You will excuse me because my English is very poor.  
(Editors Note: Tony Suter the author, lives at 127 Rue du Ranelagh, Paris 16, France).



A close up of the stalls on the Paris bourse.

## France Toujours Of French India

Much has been written on the Free French stamps. But there is one issue which all the catalogs, and in particular that of Yvert & Tellier-Champion, do not mention despite its unquestionably official origin. (Scott mentions this issue only in a note after No. 209 in the 1949 and 1950 catalogs).



The France Toujours overprint.

By courtesy of one of our correspondents, we now are able to give all exact information, about these stamps. The surcharging of them marks the faith of a handful of French people in the future of France.

The postal administration of French India, at the request of the Minister for Colonies, has had printed a report of the surcharged issues which appeared in the years 1941, 1942 and 1943. From this report, is taken the section about these "France Toujours" stamps.

## Stamps With Surcharge "France Toujours"

(One issue only.)

By government order of March 6, 1943, there was approved the surcharge "France Toujours" on the following stamps of the older issues of French India:

## a). Ordinary stamps:

- 200 stamps of 2 caches.
- 200 stamps of 3 caches.
- 200 stamps of 6 caches.
- 200 stamps of 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 15 caches.
- 200 stamps of 18 caches (1).

- 200 stamps of 20 caches.
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon.
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 2 caches (2).
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 6 caches.
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 16 caches.
- 200 stamps of 2 fanons 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 6 fanons 6 caches.
- 200 stamps of 1 roupie.
- 200 stamps of 2 roupies.
- 200 stamps of 3 roupies.
- 200 stamps of 5 roupies.

## b). Stamps of the 1937 International Exposition:

- 200 stamps of 8 caches.
- 200 stamps of 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 16 caches.
- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 2 fanons 12 caches.

## c). Stamps of the New York 1939 Exposition:

- 200 stamps of 1 fanon 12 caches.
- 200 stamps of 2 fanons 12 caches.

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(1) Really there were two stamps of 18 caches surcharged, 100 copies only of each: 18 caches red and bright red and 18 caches on 30 centimes red and black.

The red surcharge on the 18 caches was practically invisible on this red stamp: only 100 copies were thus overprinted. To complete the 200 copies, the 18 caches on 30c was used. Thus the set included 27 stamps instead of the 26 mentioned in the notice.

(2) The 1 fanon 3 caches is really meant.

The surcharge was applied in red on 21 stamps — in blue on the following six—  
Ordinary stamp: 1 fanon  
Exposition of 1937: 8 caches, 16 caches, 1 fanon 12 caches.  
New York Exposition: 1 fanon 12 caches.  
No complete unused set exists.

Collectors who had the good luck to be able to secure the "France Toujours" stamps, hastened to have them cancelled on a cover so as to guarantee their authenticity by the dated postmark. Unused stamps are few in number, and certain values can not be priced in that state.

It can be stated that the "France Toujours" series is one of the rarest in a collection of France and Colonies. No doubt, if some day the complete set, on cover, is put a public sale, it will go for over a half million francs.

(This article, published in France & Colonies Philatelist of January-February 1951, is here presented again to the wider audience reading Linn's).

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290	.03	393*	.06	658	.02	B147-48*	.25
296-97	.15	394	.60	673	.03	B158-60*	.45
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320	.10	570-71	.06	723	.03	C15	9.00
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323	.07	573-75	.10	741	.12	C17	3.25
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1957 is the Golden Anniversary year of the Boy Scout movement, and the Jamboree, to coincide with this event, appropriately will be held in England this summer. The founder of this great world-wide organization was the British General and hero of the Boer War, Lord Baden-Powell. In addition to Great Britain, a dozen countries or more will philatelically honor the Scouts this year.

Already, Brazil, Cuba, Curacao, Finland, Korea, Nicaragua, Persia and the Philippines have released their special commemoratives and many collectors here and abroad have joyfully pounced on this interesting new topic. While the Golden Anniversary adhesives offer a virgin field, indeed Scout stamps have been a highly popular topic for more than a decade. As a result, most of the pre-1957 Scout issues are quite hard to find and will become even harder to locate now that more and more new "aficionados" join in the hunt.

Two of the most difficult and expensive items are in the Commonwealth field; one very recent, the other the very first Scout issue. Regular readers of this column will recall our tip to obtain last year's two Egyptian Pan-Arab Jamboree souvenir sheets as quickly as possible, mint or preferably with first day postmarks. As we predicted, these scarce sheets have risen sharply and should eventually settle in the \$60 to \$75 range.

The earliest Scout set, and this one is missing in just about every Scouting collection, is Cape of Good Hope Scott Nos. 178-180, the final "Siege of Mafeking" issue. There is some room for argument whether No. 178 should properly be considered a Scout stamp, but there isn't any doubt that Nos. 179 and 180, showing the originator of the idea, qualify fully. It is reported that Queen Victoria was quite miffed when shown these stamps as she considered it the British sovereign's prerogative to be depicted on the stamps of the Empire, rather than a Sergeant-Major or a then rather obscure General.

Although initially regarded as little more than war souvenirs, these stamps were actually valid for postage in Mafeking and are therefore entirely legitimate. The catalogue quotations, whether Scott, Gibbons, Yvert-Tellier or Michel, are quite meaningless as all three values are virtually unobtainable regardless of price. True, an isolated copy will be offered for sale now and then, but there is no regular dependable source of supply. This is equally true of mint and used copies and if you ever encounter one, for heaven's sake grab it and don't worry about the price. It is impossible to overpay for these stamps! If you should ever find any of them on a cover, hock the family silver, but don't let it get away.

The record price ever paid for a 20th century colonial stamp was reached at a recent H. R. Harmer sale in London. A mint copy of Straits Settlements, Scott No. 146 brought \$3360. A dealer purchased it, undoubtedly for a specific client as this is hardly the kind of a stamp that a professional will buy at such a price just to put it away in his safe until a customer comes along.

The 10 Rupee stamp included in Pakistan's Republic Day set of three values issued on March 23 constituted a great surprise. Pak-

istan has never issued any high-value commemoratives before, although her regular postage issues include denominations up to 25 Rupees.

Although the date of issue of the new se-tenant Canadian Sports stamps was known in advance to be in 1957, the "hidden" date usually incorporated on Canadian stamps is, in each of the four designs, given as 1956. Can you spot it? It is not believed that a correction is planned.

Egyptian specialists have years of research ahead of them to untangle the varied postal history events which resulted from last October's brief military action. Not only British, French and Israeli Field and civilian post offices on Egyptian soil will have to be studied, but the United Nations Emergency Force's postal facilities will form an exciting chapter. Although small and with duties that are only vaguely defined, this "army" consists of soldiers of almost a dozen different nationalities! Each national group has its own method of handling mail to and from home and uses of special postmark. This is a field which really tests the mettle of the research specialist. It would not involve the outlay of much money, but will require endless patience and multi-lingual correspondence with collectors of similar interests.

Not only the UN's own stamps are being avidly collected everywhere, but foreign stamps in honor of the world organization also are developing into a major topic. Covers sent by members of the UNEF in Egypt would very definitely fit into such a topical collection.

Amongst others, a Finnish APO is now operating in Egypt and its special single-ring obliterator, 35mm in diameter, shows the Finnish lion with date underneath. The lettering reads: YK. SUOMEN KOMPPANIA—COMPANIE MILITAIRE NU. The difficulty is forming a comprehensive collection of such covers is readily apparent from the fact that the Finnish unit is only a Company, about 200 men. The amount of mail that these young conscripts send to their homeland cannot be large, although it is quite possible that some enterprising Helsinki dealer has arranged to have some strictly philatelic covers sent through.

Incidentally, we believe that all Finnish troops are at Sharm-el-Sheik, the former Egyptian strongpoint guarding the Straits of Tiran, entrance to the much-discussed Gulf of Aquaba. The Finns are reported to have put into operation a "Sauna", their famous native steam-bath, although we are unable to figure out the need for such a contraption in the steaming heat of the Sinai desert.

A new stamp-issuing country is about to make its debut: The oil-rich Persian Gulf Sheikdom of QATAR which will have a full range of British stamps 1/4d to 10/-, suitably overprinted. These surcharges will also alter the currency which is the Indian rupee, as in all British-protected areas in that vicinity. The lower values will already show the new Indian decimal unit, the "naye paise".

The same new overprints have also been issued for Bahrain and Muscat, but not yet for Kuwait which may possibly foreshadow a definite set for Kuwait rather than further overprints. All of the afore-mentioned states may not be widely known, but they rank with the world's key spots in the "cold war". Overseas mail posted during the period of the recent Eisenhower-MacMillan talks received a special purple cachet "THE BERMUDA TALKS 1957". The growing number of collectors who are forming "Ike" topical collections should go after this one without delay!

See you next week!

## Dealer ★ ★ Doings

Announcement has been made by the Expert Committee of the Philatelic Foundation, 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N.Y. that due to the increased cost of registration and insurance they are compelled to make a minimum mailing charge of 50c on all packages. The Committee accepts stamps and other philatelic items for expertization.

Hofoc Stamps, 550 44th St., Des Moines 12, Iowa announces that in the past few months the firm was able to make some sizeable purchases of Israel stamps and this material is now offered via a list now available at 50c per copy. Offered are mint and used singles, plate blocks, first day covers, and stamps with the tabs.

Walter Purkis, 3702 Quebec St., Vancouver 10, B.C., Canada is in the hospital for a few weeks and therefore there will be some delay in the delivery of orders. His cover service will continue without interruption. He will however have to wait until his return back to the shop to handle the 8 lb. mixture lots advertised recently.

David Field, Ltd., 7 Vigo St., London W.1, England have been receiving a number of requests for price lists of forgeries, which they might stock, as the result of a news item on these which mentioned some of such material which the firm has handled over a period of years. They do not stock these and therefore have no price list to be sent.

Anthony Sturm, 7107 Woodland Ave., Takoma Park 12, Md. advises that he was swamped with sendings directly after his ad offering to buy UN material. As of now he asks that no more lots be sent until he is written first; lots on hand are processed according to postmark; his buying list will not be sent out, and his market bulletin is delayed.

Joe Bush, 143 Garrett Ave., Chula Vista, Calif. has two selling lists which contain items of current interest. One offers the Rotary Anniversary commems as issued by various of the world's nations, including an album for them. The other has the stamps of the Ryukyu Islands in mint condition. Both sent for a large addressed 3c envelope.

The Israel Philatelic Center, 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y. announce a new price list for the stamps of Israel and related material which became effective April 15. It consists of six pages on which the stamps are offered in singles, blocks and with tabs. Also special and first day covers and some of the well known varieties.

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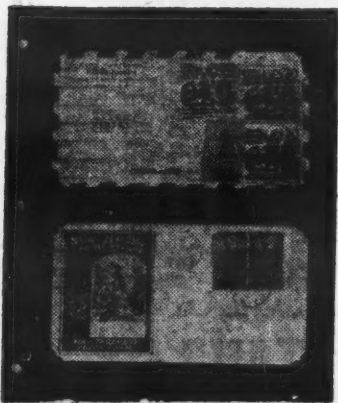
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It will be widely used for the domestic airmail fee and will remain on sale for an indefinite period.

Also in the works is a 5 1/2d regular, according to Maj. R.C. Dettman of Wembley, Australia. No details as to design or release are known. However because there is a use for this denomination it is expected soon as production makes it possible.

Maj. Dettman has offered to obtain FDC's of each stamp at the face value. He will supply the cacheted envelope for a few mint U.S. commems. For mint stamps make an allowance for return postage. Sea mail takes approximately four to six months round trip. Airmail is much quicker taking only several weeks.

The 7d stamp is worth approximately 7c (U.S.) and the 5 1/2d is 5 1/2c. Send requests to Maj. R.C. Dettman, 72 Marlow St., Wembley, Western Australia.

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Also being put into operation is an Exchange Service through which duplicate covers can be exchanged and hard-to-get covers located. AFDCS President Jack Pomerantz has appointed E. Das, Haworth, N. J., Exchange Manager.

FIRST DAYS, a bi-monthly magazine, is the official publication of the AFDCS. Every issue contains news, articles and features about first day covers. A membership directory, which lists the names and addresses of all members, is published annually.

For further information, write secretary Norman H. Lee, 5263 Cobb Dr., Dayton 3, Ohio.

### Denmark Notes 150th Year Of Its Museum

Denmark on May 15 will celebrate the 150th year of the National Museum with a set of two stamps. They will be in the usual commemorative size of that nation and are to be produced from engraved plates.



The 30 ore red has a view of the museum, while the 60 ore gray blue pictures the "Solvagnen" (Sun-wagon), an ancient copper and gold-plated relic found in the Trundholm bog. It is from about 500 B.C.

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The trio will have a common design, that of the North Cape, which has been one of the most popular tours the country offers. This takes visitors to the Arctic Circle at Norway's northernmost point.

The North Cape has appeared previously on Norwegian stamps — Scott Nos. B1-3, B9-10, B28-30, and B54-56. All have been issued to raise funds for the Tourist Assn.

Designs and colors are 25 ore plus 10 ore green, 350 plus 150 red and 650 plus 250 blue. Printing is on unwatermarked paper in sheets of 100 by photogravure at the firm of Emil Moestue A/S of Oslo.

Face of the set is 1.75 Kroner which amounts to 25c U. S. currency.

Payments in the form of international money order, bank draft, certified check or currency (currency should be registered) only are accepted. Send orders for the stamps to Postverkets Frimerkesalg til Samlere, Oslo, Norway. Include a sufficient sum for return postage.

Airmail to Norway costs 15c per half ounce, or 8c per ounce surface mail.

First day covers will be available from a collectors group which has a cacheted envelope and the facilities to mail them from the North Cape post office. However, orders must be received by them on May 2 for servicing which means airmail at 15c per half ounce.

The cachet was designed by Johannes Haukland. Each cover will have the name and address typed on, and will contain the set of three semipostals. FDC's will be protected by an outer cover when forwarded to the purchaser.

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### Sport Themes On Four Due May 14

May 14 is the day of issue for the fourth edition of Sports stamps by Liechtenstein. This series was begun in 1954 and has had a set of four each year, the design showing a different type of athletic endeavor.

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First day covers will be serviced. The agency will supply envelopes at 3c each above the cost of the stamps. Send names and addresses to be affixed to the covers.

Payments can be made by international money order, bank draft or certified check. Send requests and payments to the "Verkaufstelle fuer Postwertzeichen, Vaduz, Liechtenstein".

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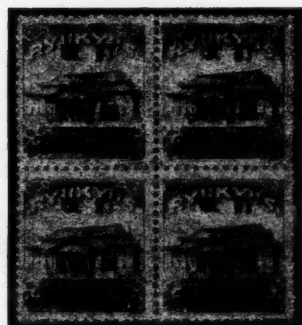
Steel - Oklahoma - Teachers and Air Base have been announced. Artmaster - Aircraft - Aristocrat - Flugel - Cachet Craft design. 2 for 15c; 4 for 25c; 10 for 65c; 20 for \$1.10; 40 for \$2.00; 50 for \$2.25; 100 for \$3.75, assorted above if desired. For United Nations May 27th issue 4c A.M. have envelopes and Cards with Artmaster and Aircraft cachets prices as above.

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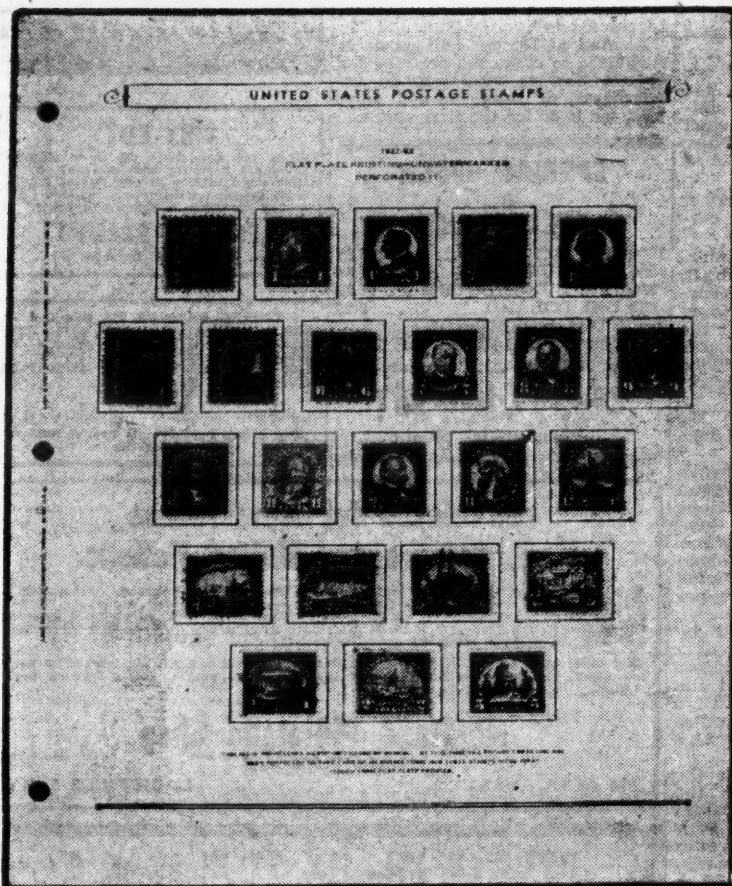
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# Blanc, Mouchon And Merson Designs Of The 1900 Issue Of France Have Great Appeal

Ira Zweifach

Often maligned and usually neglected, the three-design issue released by France for the Exhibition Year of 1900 deserves far more attention from the collector of French material than it is getting. Dubbed Blanc, Mouchon and Merson after their respective designers, these with their profuse color varieties, plate variations and printing methods, provide everyone, from the beginning specialist to the advanced student, with a grand opportunity to build an informative and interesting collection with little cost and much pleasure.

The issue, a pompous study in obscure allegory and even more obscure social and political significance, is admittedly no artistic triumph. But what it lacks in artistry it more than makes up for in philatelic interest, each design abounding in the elements that warm the true philatelist's heart. Without going into too much detail let us see what these elements are.

First, "Design Blanc", delineated by Joseph Paul Blanc and engraved by E. Thomas (Scott Type A16). Covering the 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 centime values it symbolizes liberty, justice, truth, peace and fraternity. Depicting a winged female (liberty) holding aloft the scales of justice in one hand, the mirror of truth and the olive branch of peace in the other, it includes two kissing cupids to denote fraternity.

A large double oval containing the legend "Republique Francaise" surrounds this allegorical conglomeration, balanced by a wreath at the figure's feet containing the numeral of value. Below that in a small rectangle is the word "Postes."

A decidedly cluttered composition, presenting little or nothing to the art lover, this small gem manages to give the philatelist more than his money's worth. Its tiny surface offers much to those who will take the trouble to study it. "Design Blanc" may be found printed by flat plate or rotary press. It exists in three major dies, all easy to acquire and relatively simple to tell apart. There are a surprising number of shade and color variants, plus numerous other discoveries of a minor nature that await those who are prepared to delve more deeply.

To tell one die from another take a magnifying glass and follow this simple procedure. Look at the right side of the stamp at the point where the robe of the figure crosses the outer line of the oval. If the fold of the garment is shown by a single line of shading it is Die A. If the fold of the garment is shown by two lines of shading it is Die B.

Die C, the least common of the three, is found only on the 5 centimes, having been made for a booklet issued in 1906. It may be determined by examining the wing tips of Madam Liberty. You will notice that in stamps of Die C the left wing angles directly toward the corner of the frame and is sharply pointed. The right wing is rounded at the top, slightly separated from the frame and points toward the top line of the border. Although Die C is more difficult to distinguish than the other two dies, careful study and patience will make the differences apparent.

"Design Mouchon", sometimes called "The Rights of Man", was produced by Eugene Mouchon who also did the engraving (Scott Type A 17). Embracing the 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 centime values, it portrays a seated La Belle France holding the French Bill of Rights (A tablet on which is printed "Droits de L'Homme") with one hand, and a scepter in the other. Although not so cluttered as the Blanc design, the stamp is ugly to look at. But, as before, it proves to be a little beauty from the collector's standpoint.

In addition to an unusual number of shades and color varieties, Mouchon also presents an equally unusual number of printing varieties, a circumstance largely caused by the original method of producing the stamps. As an expense saving device all the stamps of the Mouchon design were printed at first from one plate and the numerals added afterward by a second operation.

Because of frequent color discrepancies and bad centering this

method was soon dropped in favor of a single printing for each value. This does not apply to the 20 and 30 centime stamps since these values saw little usage, and enough had been printed initially to last the short life of the issue (two years).

The 15 centime is said to have been printed via the two operational method, but all copies were destroyed by a fire. None have ever been seen.

The 10 and 25 centime values, however, were printed by both methods and provide the collector with a plentiful supply of varieties. Differentiating between the two printings is fairly simple. The numerals of value of those stamps produced by two printings are always darker or lighter than the rest of the design, and are never exactly centered in the frame that surrounds them.

On those stamps made in a single operation the numerals are always perfectly centered and will be found to match in color the darker sections of the design.

Further aid in identifying which type is which may be gotten by examining the figure 1 on the 10 centime value. The numeral that appears on stamps printed in a single operation will have a concave base.

The 25 centime printings may be told apart by examining the inner line of the frame enclosing the value. On stamps produced by the double operation the frame line will be continuous and unbroken. On stamps produced by a single operation the inner frame line is interrupted and broken in many places.

The design accepted for the remaining values of this issue, the 40 and 50 centimes, and the 1, 2 and 5 francs, was drawn by Luc Olivier Merson and engraved by Auguste Thevenin (Scott Type A-18). Produced in a format twice the size of Blanc and Mouchon, it depicts La Belle France seated beneath an olive tree surrounded by a veritable thicket of branches. Close examination reveals that she holds a sword across her knees, presumably showing that France, while a vigilant defender of the peace, was always ready to fight to preserve it.

Once again we hear the howls of the connoisseur and the chorales of the philatelist. Merson proves to be every bit as interesting as its two companions and in some ways more so. There is the usual full complement of printing variations and shades, plus paper varieties. The stamps, all bi-colored, may be found with varying degrees of displaced centers, and in one instance with the center color applied twice.

Many of the varieties found in this design were caused by careless printing procedure such as over-inking, under-inking, badly regulated plate pressure while on press, and changing paper quality. Careful study and comparison of the stamps themselves will show remarkable amount of variation in each value.

For those who would like to broaden the field encompassed by these three designs, Blanc, Mouchon and Merson have been used widely in the various French Offices abroad and in such mandates and protectorates as Algeria, Morocco, Lebanon and Syria, to mention a few. In many cases the stamps were used intact and merely overprinted or surcharged. In others the word "Postes" was replaced by the name of the "Office" where used. Even more neglected than the France proper group these stamps make a fascinating collection that covers a period when French colonialism was in its heyday. And for the cancellation enthusiast they provide

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The foregoing is only a glimmer of the enormous interest that can be derived from a study of these artistic fops and philatelic joys. Still available in quantity, and still low priced, they allow the collector great latitude and make building a collection both pleasant and easy.

For guidance, however, and for a listing of the many types and varieties available in this issue we suggest picking up a good French catalog such as Thiaude, Berck, Yvert or Ceres. For a detailed study of the three designs, Raoul Lesgor's excellent, "France, 20th Century Specialized" which, in addition to many other issues, discusses Blanc, Mouchon and Merson thoroughly. So get out the magnifying; start digging into that 1900 Issue. You may be surprised at what you have.

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## RED SOWER

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anomaly, which runs from a thinning of the line, all the way to its total absence from the center to the corner.

The printing of type two began on September 15, 1906, and continued to February 2, 1907. 500 million copies were issued. But once again the impressions had been deemed unclear. On October 24, 1906, orders were given to make new retouches. Attempts were made to do so on the plates themselves but it proved impossible to strengthen the lines consistently. It was decided once again to begin from scratch.

## The Sower With Heavy Lines

A new die was prepared by the printing office from the original die of the lined Sower. On this version, the lines that had been merely suggested by Mouchon in his retouches of the thin line type were greatly strengthened. The lettering throughout was made much heavier. Printings from the plates created from this die began on January, 22, 1907 and continued through 1921, an exceedingly long life for any stamp. It was from this heavy-line version that all the subsequent values of the Sower issues, but one, were derived.

Strangely, however, the ten centimes value with which we are concerned, though printed as early as January, was not released to the public until September 1907; the 5 centimes value, printed from March 5, appeared first.

The stamp is listed by Yvert and Tellier as No. 138. Scott, erroneously, lumps both the thin and heavy line versions under number 162, though it mentions the retouches in ambiguous language.

Imperfector copies exist in some number. None of these, however, have official sanction. All were smuggled out of the printing office. On several occasions investigations were made of the practice but came to nothing.

Like all French issues of the period, the stamp was printed from plates that contained 150 subjects set in six paired panes of twenty-five. The usual faulty impressions, broken plate varieties, offset printings and so forth are known. There are, however, some genuine type differences which should be distinguished.

The ink shades of the various printings run the gamut from a very deep, full red through the normal brick shade, which also comes as a very bright red in certain rare specimens, to a light orange which can be either quite sharp or extremely pale. The rarest shade, which is individually listed as a color difference in most French catalogues as well as in Lesgor, is the ink known as scarlet. There is no mistaking this very beautiful ink variety when it turns up. It is extremely brilliant. It "washes out" even the brightest impressions of the other inks when set against them. It was used only on a few sheets printed during the first weeks of the issue's existence.

Through the years, seven types of paper were used. The most interesting of these are a yellowish version, a thin, semi-transparent version and the famous "G.C." types of the late war years. G.C. stands for "Grande Consommation," or large usage. Papers of this type, used for this particular stamp in 1916 only, are of a poor quality, darkish tan and even quite

brown in color and very fibrous. They are much sought after, especially in large pieces.

## Coils And Booklets

The stamp appeared in three types in booklet form. Two of these, the thin line with Mouchon's retouches, and the normal heavy-line type, are known to us already. The thin line booklet issued in 1906, consisted of two panes of ten in a booklet that sold for a 5 centimes premium over the price of the stamps (2 francs). This premium was not popular and was soon struck off the remaining covers being overprinted to that effect. Although these were put out after the Mouchon retouches, the characteristic small red line in the cap does not appear. Entire panes of this issue are occasionally found without any tail to the "Q" of the word "Republique." These are not a plate variety but are entirely due to defective printing.

The standard heavy line booklets, first printed in 1907, were also issued in two panes of ten, which were printed in sheets of 240. The premium on these was lowered in 1910 and the leftover booklets marked down as explained above. Subsequent printings were sold at two francs and were so printed on the cover of the booklets. G.C. paper printings were put out in 1916. These were followed by a slightly larger booklet with a "chamois" or pale tan cover. A number of shade varieties of both types are known.

The most interesting and rarest booklet type however was that put out in 1918. It consisted of five panes of six stamps each, printed from plates derived from an entirely new die. The most distinguishing recognition point of the die is that the tail of the "Q" is formed, not by a line as in all the other versions, but by a small, round dot entirely separated from the body of the "Q" itself. The booklet was not popular and was soon discontinued, hence its extreme rarity.

We should also note the existence of privately created booklets with advertising frames. These were made up by various organizations, both commercial and of the non-profit kind. They are known with six stamps and eight stamps, taken from ordinary sheets and stuck on frames which carried printed slogans and were themselves perforated and gummed for use.

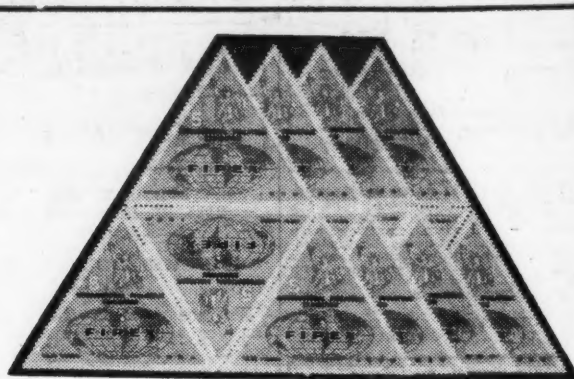
Booklets made up in this fashion had no official status. They were, in fact, discontinued when postmen complained that their sale by private agencies was interfering with the small percentage of profit they were allowed to keep from the stamps they managed to sell.

In 1907 the heavy-line type was produced as a coil stamp. These were printed in sheets of 150 consisting of two panes of 75 (5x15). A vertical strip of six up to fifteen, therefore, incontestably indicates that the stamps are from a coil plate, (provided, of course, that they are not of the dotted "Q" booklet type which, since they were printed in panes of 3 x 48 may also appear in these multiples. A few such sheets of the latter were, in fact sold at post offices. Only three are known to have survived intact.)

The die of the coil stamps differ in no way from the regular heavy line issues. The perforations however, can occasionally identify a single specimen since they reveal at the lateral edges the characteristic cut teeth of stamps that are separated by machine.

I must add here what I should have mentioned at the start. As with all French issues of the period, all types throughout were photographed, flatbed printed and comb perforated 14 x 13 1/2.

There is a great deal more to the story. I have sketched in only the essentials and have not even touched the questions of usage, counterfeits or cancellations; (e.g., during the Great War a number of specimens were mounted to serve as emergency coinage and there was a temporary and distinct printing produced at Lyons). Neither have I had space to describe the several overprints. They are another story.



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**1948 - WHAT DID IT COST?**  
 Part IX

We are now in the month of  
 October 1948. Four stamps came  
 out in this month. They are:

SC#971-3c VOLUNTEER FIRE-  
 MEN—Dover, Dela. October 4,  
 1948,  
 23918 - 93,211 impressions.  
 23919 - 93,212 impressions.  
 23924 - 57,571 impressions.  
 23925 - 57,571 impressions.

Total number of stamps—56,228-  
 000.

SC#972-3c INDIAN CENTEN-  
 NIAL—Muskogee, Okla. October  
 15, 1948,

23920 - 93,297 impressions.  
 23921 - 93,297 impressions.  
 23922 - 59,338 impressions.  
 23923 - 59,338 impressions.

Total number of stamps—57,832-  
 000.

SC#973-3c ROUGH RIDERS—  
 October 27, 1948, Prescott, Ariz.

23947 - 103,439 impressions.  
 23948 - 103,438 impressions.  
 23949 - 36,800 impressions.  
 23950 - 36,800 impressions.

Total number of stamps—53,875-  
 000.

SC#974-3c JULIETTE LOW—  
 October 29, 1948, Savannah, Ga.

23953 - 106,748 impressions.

23954 - 106,747 impressions.  
 23955 - 59,525 impressions.  
 23956 - 59,525 impressions.

Total number of stamps—60,000-  
 000.

We were still going strong, in  
 high gear, during this month, for  
 after October there were still six  
 more stamps to go, all of which  
 came out in less than six weeks,  
 or on an average of one new stamp  
 a week.

The centering, as a whole, was  
 well below normal during the 1948  
 issues in the last half year. Specifi-  
 cally, on the above four, to begin  
 with, the Volunteer Firemen, the  
 upper left and the upper right posi-  
 tions were high and very close to  
 the design horizontally. A condi-  
 tion that was rather exaggerated  
 and very prominent with the Vol-  
 unteer Firemen was a brittleness of  
 the paper, where the perforations  
 were split in the middle of the  
 plate block in the lower right posi-  
 tions of 23924 and 23925.

To a lesser degree the same  
 symptoms also appeared on the  
 lower right of 23918 and 23919. Al-  
 though the ratio of impressions of  
 the first two plate numbers over  
 the last two were almost three to  
 two, 23924 and 23925 were not much  
 harder to find than the first two  
 plate numbers.

On the Rough Riders, numbers  
 23947 and 23948, in the upper right  
 position, were below normal over  
 the other three positions. On 23949  
 and 23950 the lower right positions  
 were hardest to get very fine or  
 better. The lower left on the last  
 two plates, 23949 and 23950, was not  
 as bad as the lower right. The  
 Rough Riders appeared to be one  
 of the most popular attractive  
 stamps of the entire 1948 lot, this  
 in spite of the fact that it was not  
 the most expensive stamp or plate  
 block. Both the color and design  
 were appealing.

It is not, therefore, unusual that  
 this issue may be less common

and more difficult to find to-  
 day. The strange feature about the  
 relative degree of scarcity of the last  
 two plate numbers over the first  
 two is something that is contrary  
 to the figures or the number of  
 impressions. We notice that the  
 first two plate numbers, 23947 and  
 23948, had in excess of 103,000 im-  
 pressions, while the last two, 23949  
 and 23950, had less than 37,000 im-  
 pressions, or about a third. On the  
 surface it would appear that the  
 first two were common and that the  
 last two would be very hard to find.

Occasionally you may find col-  
 lectors, or part time dealers who  
 may, on the basis of these figures  
 consider the last two numbers  
 scarce and price them out of line.  
 In the ten years that I handled  
 these stamps, it was evident that  
 there were more of the first two  
 numbers around but that the last  
 two were not so hard to find as  
 the figures would indicate them to  
 be in their three to one ratio.

Another thing that may not be  
 known was that the original pair  
 went off sale at the Philatelic  
 Agency first, and usually the  
 greatest burst of enthusiasm takes  
 place when the stamp comes out.  
 At that time more of these were  
 used and circulated. The other two  
 stayed longer and were eagerly  
 purchased before the stamp went  
 completely off sale. That is partly  
 responsible for the fact that there  
 are still a lot more of the last two  
 plates in circulation.

The Juliette Low was rather  
 nicely centered on the whole, ex-  
 cept for the lower right positions  
 of 23955 and 23956.

Almost nine years since these  
 four stamps came out the Rough  
 Riders is currently being retailed  
 for from three to five times face  
 value per plate block. The Volun-  
 teer Firemen runs from 25c to 40c  
 per plate block, the Indian Centen-  
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GUATEMALA * 17-20 (Cpt set)	19.00 3.75
* 12B (without overprint)	40.00 9.00
HAITI * 17 (Double surcharge, Error)	4.00
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MU 198A-D (Types on 3p, 1922)	9.45 2.50
HAITI * 1-4 (1881 vals.)	11.00 2.50
* 357 (Double overprint, Error)	2.00
* C22-23 (2 diff. Cpt. sets)	8.50 3.00
* C35-42 (1894-98 Cpt. set)	4.82 2.00
HONDURAS MU C51-5 (1931 Cpt)	19.00 7.00
* C181-6 (UPU, 1931, Cpt)	29.85 17.00
* San 58 (250 exist, Scarce)	10.00 2.50
* San 64 (100 exist, Scarce)	25.00 6.00
MEXICO * 3, 3A, 3B (1856)	10.00 2.50
* 12B (without overprint)	40.00 9.00
* 45 (4r rose, wmkd RPS)	12.50 4.50
* 89 (1872, 25c red pin, perf)	7.50 2.00
* 102, 104 (1872 Top value)	20.00 4.00
MU 123-30A (1878-82 Cpt set)	5.30 1.50
MU 131-45 (1881-3 Cpt set)	51.60 9.00
* 185-73, 171A (Cpt set)	8.25 2.25
* 242-52 (1895 To 20c Cpt)	10.25 2.25
* 273, 277 (1897-8 vals.)	7.00 1.75
* 350-9 (1916 Cpt. set)	21.15 7.00
* 352-3 (1921 Cpt. set)	6.00 3.00
NICARAGUA * 1-2 (1863 Cpt)	13.00 2.75
PANAMA * 79C (Dble opt.)	10.00 4.00
* 184E (Double surcharge)	2.00
* 204 (Piece of 92, G-VG)	23.00 4.00
MU 214-16 (1918 Cpt set)	7.00 2.00
* 216-19 (1920 Cpt set)	4.50 3.50
MU 220-31 (1921 Cpt set)	13.90 5.00
* 221 (Piece of 99, 1921)	24.75 6.00
* 234 (268 OG copies, 1924)	18.76 2.50
* 232A (Pair, 1 no opt.)	4.00
* C9 (1850 Air, Cpt. single)	8.50 3.00
* C15B (Pair, Imperf. Between)	30.00 14.00
* C40-7A (9 Cpt sets, sheet)	10.10 4.50
PARAGUAY 1-3 (1870 Cpt. set)	71.50 12.75
* 431-4 (Double overprints)	12.00
MU C1-6 (1929 Cpt. set)	7.35 2.50
MU C30-33 (Gunboat, Cpt. set)	10.75 4.00
* C184-8 (Specimens, Roosevelt)	3.00
PERU * 3-4 (1858 vals.)	18.50 4.00
* 9-10 (1860 Cpt set)	9.50 2.00
* 254-41 (1924 Ayacucho Cpt)	10.90 4.00
MU C40-42 (2 Cpt. Air sets)	8.30 3.00
MU C49-64 (1938 Air Cpt)	15.92 5.75
MU N11-13, 15-17 (Occupation's)	28.22 5.00
SALVADOR * C41-5 (1935 Cpt)	11.65 4.50
* C54-59 (1937 Airs Cpt. set)	4.38 2.00
* C15-19 (1949 UPU's, Cpt. set)	10.50 5.90

Uruguay	Scott Cat. Price
URUGUAY * 4 (1868, 120c, Rare)	150.00 25.00
* 7, 13 (1859-90 vals.)	20.00 4.00
* 8 (80c yellow, 1859)	30.00 6.00
* 13, 13B (1860 Thick numerals)	9.00 2.00
* 16 (120c blue, 1860)	6.00 2.00
MU 29-33 (1866 Cpt G-F)	31.50 6.00
MU 34-8 (1867-7 complete set)	9.75 2.00
* 39-44 (1877-80 Cpt. set)	7.60 1.75
* San 1925 (Cpt)	8.02 1.65
MU 74-90, 92-3, 95 (1889-94)	22.20 4.00
MU 108-23 (1895-9 vals.)	8.75 2.00
* 83-89 (Portuguesa Arms, Cpt)	12.50 3.90
* 128 (3p carmine & blue 1895)	12.50 3.00
* 285-98 (1924 Birds Cpt)	15.82 6.00
* 330-2 (1927 Exhibition Cpt)	4.50 1.75
* C60A (Top value, Pegasus)	12.50 5.00
* C63-4, 87 (1937-8 vals.)	9.00 3.00
MU C85, 86A, 88, 90, 92 (Dam)	4.25 1.70
* C121-5, 140 (2 Cpt sets)	13.03 4.50
VENEZUELA * 394-5 (Imperf)	3.00
* 471-7 (Zulia Arms, Cpt)	14.75 7.50
* 548-54 (Delta Amacaoz, Cpt)	10.25 3.25
* 555-61 (Falcon Arms, Cpt)	9.60 5.95
* 562-8 (Guarico Arms, Cpt)	10.65 5.25
* 569-75 (Merida Arms, Cpt)	8.40 5.95
* 576-82 (Monagas Arms, Cpt)	8.65 4.95
* 583-89 (Portuguesa Arms, Cpt)	8.85 5.95
* 590-96 (Amazonas Arms, Cpt)	5.35 3.75
* 597-603 (Apure Arms, Cpt)	5.90 3.75
* 604-10 (Barinas Arms, Cpt)	8.00 3.75
* 618-24 (Nueva Esparta, Cpt)	5.20 3.50
* 625-31 (Yaracuy Arms, Cpt)	3.65 2.90
* C339, 64, 84, 402, 11, 528 Blox	8.80 5.75
* C368 (Block of 4, 7 1/2 Air)	3.00 2.25
* C381 (Tachira, 5b, 1952 Arms)	3.00 1.40
* C384 (Block of 4, 7 1/2 Air)	2.40 1.75
* C437-44 (Trujillo 10 1/2)	10.73 3.90
* C443 (3B Trujillo Arms)	4.50 2.25
* San 294-8, 301 (Officials)	8.50 2.75
* San 336-7 (Vulture-Official)	6.00 2.00

France & Colonies	Scott Cat. Price
* 11-15 (1864-8 Cpt set)	15.65 3.75
* 52A (Inverted Frame, 1900r)	3.50 1.75
* 82 (1912 5kr red-scarce)	20.00 10.00
* 138-7 (1915 surcharges, Cpt)	7.00 2.90
* 138-9 (1915 elusive vals.)	8.50 2.50
* O1-3 (1917 Officials Cpt)	21.00 6.00
* P1-9 (1907 Newspapers)	15.50 4.00
* Q11 (Parcel Post, 1kr 1897)	6.00 2.00
* DUTCH INDIES * 1 (1864 10c)	9.00 2.00
* J5-6 (1874-5 Dues)	9.00 2.30
EASTERN RUMELIA MU 1, 3 (1880)	13.50 3.00
* 4 (20pa 1889 Hard to Find)	10.95 2.50
* 6 (2p 1889 Kosack Guarantee)	15.00 3.75
* 36 (1885, 1p black & blue)	12.50 2.50
ESTONIA * 90-7, 99-104 (1928)	15.32 3.90
* B9-10 (1923 Imperf. Cpt)	9.50 1.85
* B9-11 (Cpt. set 1920-2)	23.25 6.00
ETHIOPIA * C11-13 (Imperf.)	5.00
* C21-2 (Roosevelts, Cpt. 1947)	11.00 3.75
FARE REPUBLIC * 46A (T-Reche)	2.00
FERNANDO PO * 1 (1868 Good)	25.00 5.00
* 13-22 (1894-7 Cpt set)	11.95 3.00
* 23A-C (1897 Scarce & Cpt)	5.00 2.00
MU 23, 26-9, 34 (Elusive stamps)	7.50 2.50
* 35-7 (1897-9 Cpt. set)	5.75 2.00
* 42 (1899 10c opt. green)	12.50 5.00
MU 44-61 (1899, Up to 80c Cpt)	21.20 5.00
* 63 (2 peseta Top value)	20.00 7.00
MU 66-83, 85 (1900 G-F less 1)	17.05 4.00
* 86-7 (1900 overprints)	4.25 1.85
FINLAND * 19 (1875 8p green)	9.00 1.75
* B9-20 (4 diff. Cpt. sets)	5.80 2.25

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BECK * 51-2 (1876 Athens	13.25 3.25
129-38 (1900 Cpt to 5d)	9.05 2.25
165-78 (1901 Hermes, Cpt set)	9.27 3.00
470, 470B (Roosevelt, Var.)	10.12 2.90
482-3, 482A-3A (Dble-Imperf)	16.24 4.50
HELAZ * 14-23 (1922 Cpt set)	17.15 5.75
43, 43A, 43B (3 diff. Errors)	2.00
86, 86A, 86B, 86C (Errors)	2.00
J4-16 (1921-4 Dues Cpt)	6.25 2.40
J17A (Inverted overprint)	2.50
135-9 (1919 Dues, Cpt. set)	10.05 3.50
HUNGARY * 2 (38 1871 Litho)	60.00 12.00
7, 9-12 (1871-2 Engraved)	8.90 2.00
31-31N5 (2nd Debreceen Cpt)	9.20 3.75
31-31N5 (2nd Debreceen Cpt)	9.20 3.75
NI * 17-27, E1 (1943 Cpt)	12.69 6.25
ITALY - STATES - COLONIES	
ALY * 37 (1898 top value)	15.00 3.75
57A (1898) (Muzart, Issue)	2.00 7.00
B15 (60c centennial, scarce)	30.00 25.00
C42-7 (1933 Zepps Cpt set)	5.25 3.00
F. CRETE * 6, 13 (Best vals)	32.00 9.00
ITRERIA MU 4-9 (1892 Elusive)	16.85 5.00
SOMALILAND * San 25 Air	10.00 2.00
12 (1892) (Muzart, Issue)	2.00 7.00
ODENA * 10, 12-14 (G-F)	38.50 5.00
12 (20c Ilac, 1859)	40.00 8.00
IRMA * 9 (1859 15c red)	10.00 2.00
11A (Narrow) (1859) (Govt)	17.50 4.00
12 (1859) (Govt)	45.00 5.00
13 (10c brown, 1859)	20.00 3.00
LAN MARINO * 17 (1877, 40c)	8.50 2.25
(Roosevelt Aves, 8 Cpt)	2.50
USCANY * 1 (1q black, 1852)	35.00 10.00
1 (1q black, 1851)	13.00 4.00
10 (1q black, 1857)	22.50 4.50
17-21 (1860 Prov. Govt.)	28.00 5.00
21 (40c rose, 1860 Prov)	8.50 2.00
21 (40c rose, 1860 Govt)	8.50 2.00
22-3 (1861) (Vals)	43.35 5.00
ATACAN CITY * 14 (1933, Cpt)	2.25
47-53 (1936 less H val.)	8.00
97 (Imperf at margin, Error)	4.00
99 (Shifted Popes Head)	3.50
115 (1943) (1943) (overprint)	3.00
116 (Pair, Imperf at bottom)	3.25
117 (Pair, Imperf at bottom)	4.00
JAN 6 (1931 Dues, Cpt set)	2.50
FAN * 10 (Star Cancel)	1.50
GOSIAVIA * 0 B40-5 (2 cpt)	6.25
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